GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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MSME Status to Sugarcane Crushers
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Will the Minister of MICRO,SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to revive localised sugarcane crushers in the country to provide an alternative source of earning by including them in the MSME category and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government also proposes to relax the norms for setting up of the said crushers and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the other incentives being offered by the Government to sugarcane growers in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)

(a) & (b): Under the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006 under manufacturing sector, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises are defined as below:
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Manufacturing Enterprises Investment limit in Plant & Machinery
Micro Enterprises Upto to Rs.25 lakh
Small Enterprises Above Rs.25 lakh and upto to Rs. 5 crore
Medium Enterprises Above Rs. 5 crore and upto to Rs. 10 crore
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All MSME's are entitled to avail of the benefits of the schemes of MSME's including under the Framework for Revival and Rehabilitation of MSME's. However, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises does not have any specific scheme for the revival of localized sugarcane crushers in the country.

(c): The Central Government fixes Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) of sugarcane based on the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Price (CACP) and after consultations with the State Government and other stakeholders. FRP of sugarcane is uniform throughout the country and linked to recovery rate and serves as benchmark guaranteed price of sugarcane below which no sugar mill can purchase from cane growers. The Government, under the Sugar Development Fund (SDF), provides for concessional loan to the sugar mills for development of sugarcane in their command area. This helps to the sugar mills in providing funds to the cane growers for introducing new cane variety, carryout drip irrigation system, harvesting technology, etc.